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User Guide

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Introduction

Read and understand this information booklet before using this product. It is recommended that you store this booklet so you can consult it often to ensure that you are using the restraint correctly.

This child restraint is designed for use only by children who weigh between 5 and 40 pounds (2.3 and 18 kg) and whose height is between 19 and 40 inches (48 and 102 cm).

Rear facing use should be limited to children who weigh between 5 and 30 pounds (2.3 and 13.6 kg).

Forward facing use should be limited to children who weigh between 20 and 40 pounds (9 and 18 kg).

This child restraint system conforms to all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards. This restraint is certified for use in motor vehicles and aircraft.

This child restraint must not be used in the home, in boats, or other non-certified applications.

This child restraint is LATCH compatible.

- Verify that the child restraint is secure and that the harness is properly adjusted around your child each time you use the child restraint.
- Adjust the harness to fit the clothes your child is wearing. The fit for a child in winter clothes will differ from a child in summer clothes.
- Cover the child restraint if your vehicle is parked in direct sunlight. Parts of the child restraint can become hot to the touch in sunny weather.
- Store the child restraint in a safe place when it is not being used. Avoid placing heavy objects on top of it.
- Discontinue use of a child restraint that is older than six years or has been in a severe crash. This ensures that no deterioration or hidden damage has occurred.
- DO NOT leave children alone in a vehicle, even for a short time.
- DO NOT, except as described in this booklet, attempt to disassemble any part of the child restraint or change the way its harness or your vehicle seat belts are used.
- DO NOT leave loose objects, e.g. books, bags, etc., in the back of your vehicle. In the event of a sudden stop, loose objects will keep moving, potentially causing serious injuries.
- DO NOT leave folding vehicle seats unlatched. In the event of a sudden stop, a loose seat back could prevent the child restraint from protecting your child as well as it should.
- DO NOT allow children to play with the child restraint.
- DO NOT use anything to raise the restraint off the vehicle seat. In an accident, it could slide and be unable to protect your child as well as it should.

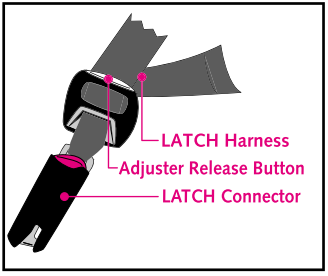
WARNING

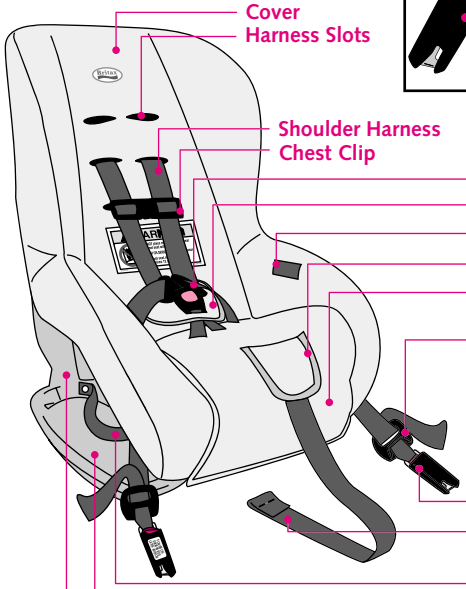
- FAILURE TO FOLLOW EACH OF THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS CAN RESULT IN YOUR CHILD STRIKING THE VEHICLE'S INTERIOR DURING A SUDDEN STOP OR CRASH. SECURE THIS CHILD RESTRAINT WITH A VEHICLE BELT AS SPECIFIED IN THIS USER GUIDE.
- According to accident statistics, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration recommends that parents select the rear seat as the safest location for a properly installed child restraint. However, the actual dimensions of the vehicle seat and the details of the safety belts used to anchor the child restraint differ from vehicle to vehicle. Please study the section on *Vehicle Seat Belts* in this booklet for the safety assurance of your child. If in doubt about installing your child restraint, consult your vehicle owner's manual.
- Secure this child restraint with the vehicle belts even when it is not occupied. In a crash, an unsecured child restraint may injure vehicle occupants.
- When the LATCH Connectors are not in use, they must be secured in the LATCH storage pouches.
  If the LATCH connectors are loose, they may injure vehicle occupants.

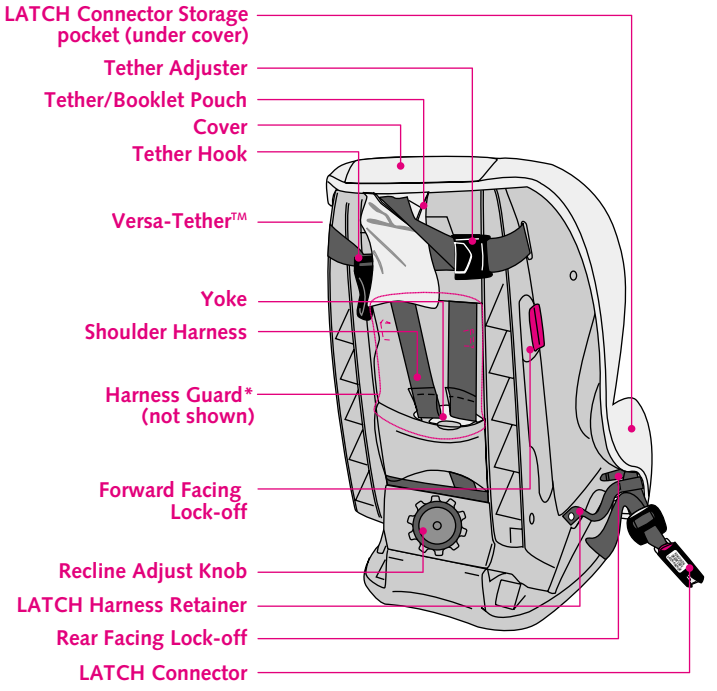
WARNING

- The primary protection for occupants of a vehicle in a collision is the body of the vehicle itself, and a child restraint will not protect a child when the vehicle is seriously impacted. However, correctly installed, this restraint will substantially improve the chances for survival in most accidents. Make sure that you fully understand the correct way to use this child restraint in your vehicle.
- DO NOT place any child restraint in the front seat of a vehicle with a passenger air bag unless the air bag is turned off. DEATH or SERIOUS INJURY can occur. The back seat is the safest place for children under 12.
- Owners of vehicles with air bags should refer to their owner's manual for child restraint installation instructions.
- Britax recommends that all child restraints be installed in the rear seat.
- Install this child restraint only in vehicle seats which face forward! Do not install this seat on vehicle seats facing sideways or backwards!

Child Restraint Features





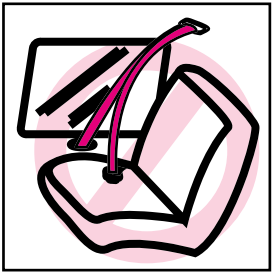

LATCH Connector Storage pocket (under cover)
Tether Adjuster
Tether/Booklet Pouch
Cover
Tether Hook
Versa-Tether™
Yoke
Shoulder Harness
Harness Guard* (not shown)
Forward Facing Lock-off
Recline Adjust Knob
LATCH Harness Retainer
Rear Facing Lock-off
LATCH Connector

Vehicle Safety Belts

NOTE: The information in this section only applies if you are installing the child restraint using the vehicle seat belts. If using LATCH, this section should be ignored.

IMPORTANT: Some vehicles have no seating positions which are compatible with this child restraint, or any other child restraint. If in doubt contact your vehicle manufacturer for assistance.

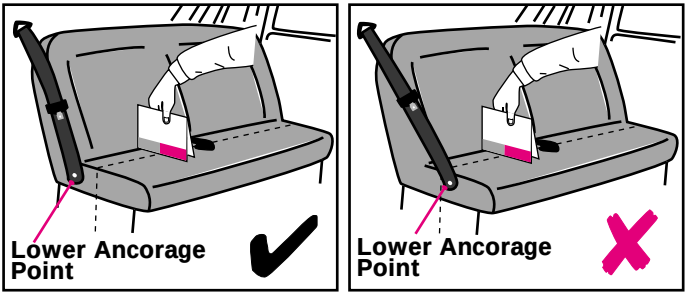
The following types of vehicle seat belts are **not** compatible with this child restraint:



- ✘ Front seat belts with top or bottom anchorage points in the door.
- ✘ Motor driven automatic seat belts.
- ✘ Three-point belts that have separate retractors for the shoulder section and the lap section.
- ✘ Non-locking (ELR) two-point seat belts.

The owner's manual for your vehicle will have information on the types of seat belts in your vehicle. If you have belts of the above-listed types, select another seating position. This child restraint will work with rear seat three-point seat belts with a sliding latch plate, and with rear seat three-point seat belts that are specifically marked as appropriate for child restraints. The middle rear seat of most vehicles has a lap belt which most often will work.

This child restraint can fit securely in most vehicles using the existing seat belts. However, some types of vehicle designs prevent a secure fit of the child restraint due to the position of the seat belt lower anchorage points.



Use this simple guide to check your seat belts and determine the safest position for your child restraint.

Use the gray shaded area on the side of this page to determine the best position for the child restraint. Hold the page against your vehicle seat (as shown above) with the gray area toward the back of the seat. Now check to see if the lower seat belt anchorage points are in line with the gray or the red area of this page.

- ✔ If the lower seat belt anchorage points are in the gray area, then you can use this position for your child restraint.
- ✘ If the lower seat belt anchorage points are in the red area, then you should use another position for your child restraint.

NOTE: Although the seat belt anchorage points fall within the gray area, a better installation may be achieved by adjusting your child restraint to a reclining position.

Seat Belt Anchorage Points MUST Fall Within This Shaded Area

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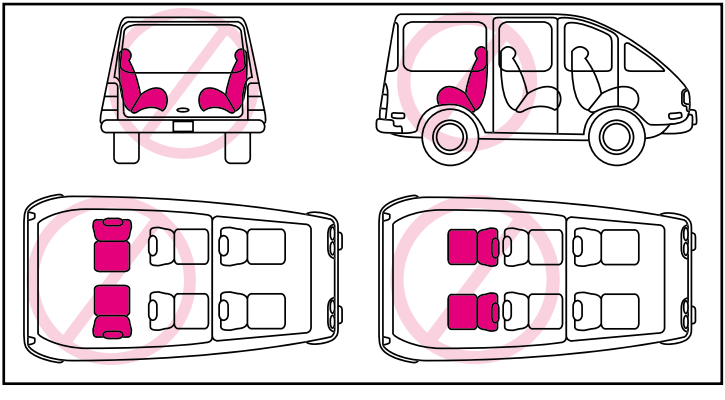
WARNING

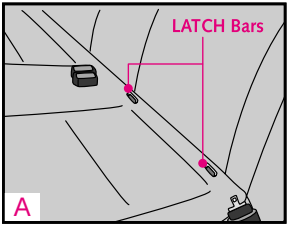
- Forward facing vehicle seats MUST be used with this child restraint. Side facing or rear facing seats in vans, station wagons or trucks CANNOT be used.
- Britax and the U.S. Department of Transportation warn that children 12 and under must ride in the rear seats, away from front air bags. The only exception is if the air bag is off.



NOTE: Prior to installation, check that the shoulder straps are in the correct position (see page 33 - 34).

1 Verify that your vehicle is equipped with LATCH anchors *(Fig A)*.

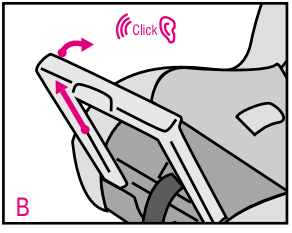
- *If LATCH anchors are not installed, you must use standard seat belt installation methods*



2 Verify that LATCH harness is routed in rear facing slots. If not, refer to page 17 to switch LATCH harness.

3 Place the child restraint facing and fully reclined on the vehicle seat.

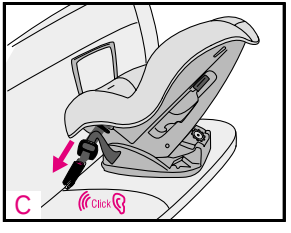
IMPORTANT: Only use super recline mode if necessary to obtain proper angle, based on vehicle seat contour *(see page 29)*.



4 Unhook hook and loop attachments on the front edge of the cover, then pull the stabilizing bar out completely. Pull stabilizing bar upward until it clicks into position (*fig B*).

IMPORTANT: Stabilizer bar must always be extended when seat is rear facing.

5 Reattach hook and loop attachments on the front edge of the cover.



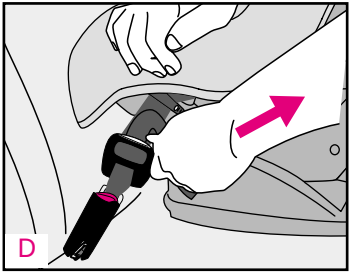
6 Loosely attach each LATCH connector to the adjacent LATCH anchor (*fig C*).

- *A positive click confirms attachment to the LATCH anchor.*
- *If necessary, press silver adjuster release button, then pull to lengthen LATCH webbing.*

7 With one hand, push the child restraint firmly into the vehicle seat while pulling the first LATCH connector strap tight (*fig D*).

8 Continue pressing child restraint firmly into the vehicle seat while pulling the second LATCH connector strap tight.

9 Verify that all connections are tight and the child restraint is secure.



10 If desired, attach Versa-Tether™ as instructed on pages 27-28. Rear facing installation is improved by the use of the Versa-Tether™, but it is not required.

Important

- Always store LATCH connectors when not in use by attaching to storage rings on the side of the child restraint.
- Rear facing installation is improved by the use of the Versa-Tether™, but it is not required.
- If you have a problem stabilizing your child restraint, place a rolled towel in the crease of the seat to help level the child restraint base.

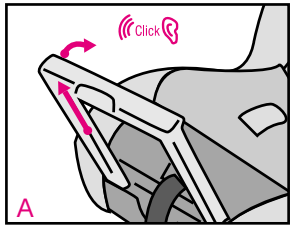
Warning

- DO NOT raise the base beyond horizontal or off of the vehicle seat, doing so will reduce the protection for your child.

Removal

- To remove the child restraint, release both LATCH connectors from the LATCH anchors by pressing the red button.
- If connected, disconnect the Versa-Tether™ from the tether anchor.
- Always store LATCH connectors when not in use by attaching to storage rings on the side of the child restraint.

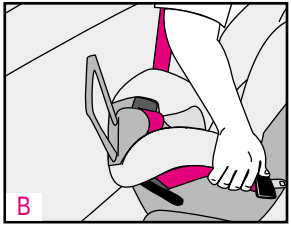
Rear Facing Lap-Shoulder Belt Installation



1 Recline child restraint as necessary to align leveling line horizontal with the ground.

IMPORTANT: Only use super recline mode if necessary to obtain proper angle, based on vehicle seat contour *(see page 29)*.

2 Unhook hook and loop attachments on the front edge of the cover, then pull the stabilizing bar out completely. Pull stabilizing bar upward until it clicks into position (*fig. A*).



IMPORTANT: Stabilizer bar must always be extended when seat is rear facing.

NOTE: Do not reattach cover with hook and loop until seat belt has been routed.

3 Place the child restraint rear facing on the vehicle seat.

4 Fully extend the vehicle belt, then hold the lap and shoulder sections together. Keep the sections together as you pass the seat belt through the closest rear facing belt slot (*fig. B*).

5 Route belt in front of the buckle strap, then through the second rear facing belt slot (*fig. B*).

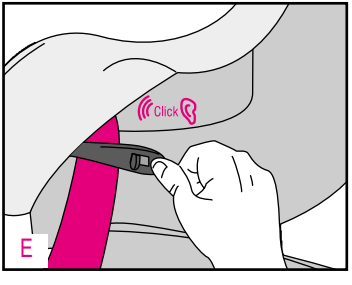
6 Fasten the seat belt, then verify that the seat belt is not twisted (*fig. C*).

7 Reattach hook and loop attachments on the front edge of the cover.

8 Press child restraint into vehicle seat, while removing slack from the lap portion, then the shoulder portion of the seat belt (fig. D).

9 Maintain pressure on child restraint, then position both sections of seat belt through the lock-off.

10 Close lock-off arm. Lock-off is properly closed when a positive click is heard (*fig. E*).



NOTE: It is only necessary to use one lock-off. Always use the lock-off that is closest to the seat belt buckle. Never bend the plastic lock-off arm up or down to prevent breakage. Do not route LATCH Harness through the rear facing lock-offs when installing with vehicle seat belt.

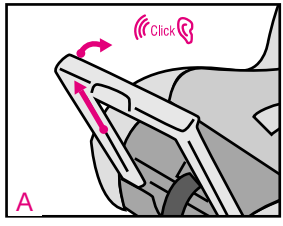
11 If desired, attach Versa-Tether™ as instructed on pages 27-28. Rear facing installation is improved by the use of the Versa-Tether™, but it is not required.

12 Verify that the seat belt is tight and the child restraint is secure.

Removal

To remove the child restraint, unfasten the seat belt and reverse the above directions.

Rear Facing Lap Belt Installation



1 Recline child restraint as necessary to align leveling line horizontal with the ground.

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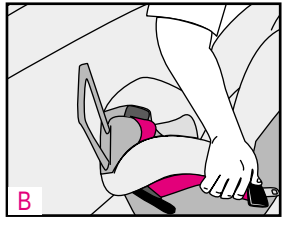
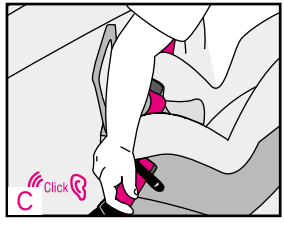


2 Unhook hook and loop attachments on the front edge of the cover, then pull the stabilizing bar out completely. Pull stabilizing bar upward until it clicks into position (*fig. A*).

IMPORTANT: Stabilizer bar must always be extended when seat is rear facing.

NOTE: Do not reattach cover with hook and loop until seat belt has been routed.



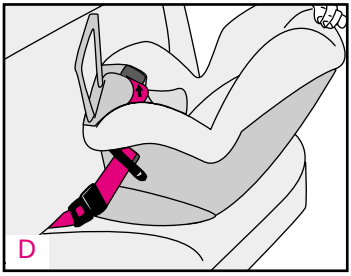
3 Place the child restraint rear facing on the vehicle seat.

4 Fully extend the vehicle seat belt, then pass it through the closest rear facing belt slot.

5 Route belt in front of the buckle strap, then through the second rear facing belt slot (*fig. B*).

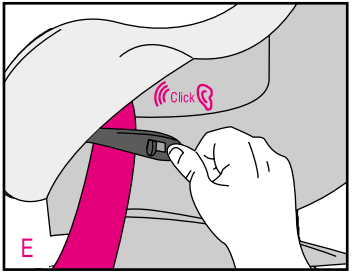
6 Fasten the seat belt, then verify that the seat belt is not twisted (*fig. C*).

7 Press child restraint into vehicle seat, while removing slack from the seat belt (*fig. D*).



8 Position seat belt through the open lock-off.

9 Close lock-off arm. Lock-off is properly closed when a positive click is heard (*fig. E*).



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10 Attach Versa-Tether™ as instructed on pages 27–28. Rear facinginstallation is improved by the use of the Versa-Tether™, but is not required.

11 Verify that the seat belt is tight and the child restraint is secure.

Removal

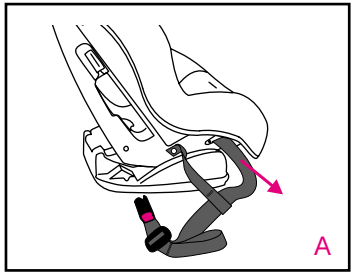
To remove the child restraint, unfasten the seat belt and reverse the above directions.

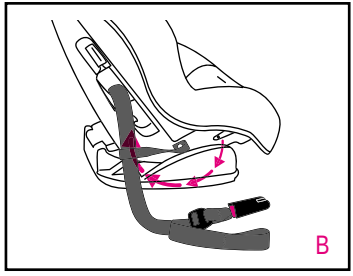
The LATCH harness must be switched for proper alignment in rear facing or forward facing installations. The seat is supplied with the LATCH harness fitted in the rear facing position. To switch the harness to the forward facing position, follow the instructions below:

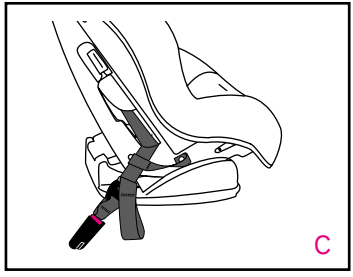
1 Feed the complete latch harness out through the seat on the side with the short connector strap (*fig A*).

2 Then feed the LATCH connector with the "For use on Driver's side Latch Anchor" label first, through the seat shell as shown (*fig B*). Connector labelled, "For use on Driver's side Latch Anchor" must be on appropriate side of child restraint. Verify that harness is not twisted.

3 To move from forward facing to rear facing, reverse the above procedure.







Forward Facing Installation with LATCH

1 Verify that your vehicle is equipped with LATCH anchors (*fig. A*).

- *If LATCH anchors are <u>not</u> installed, you must use standard seat belt installation methods.*

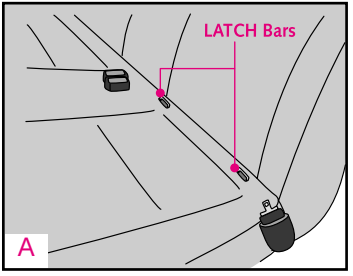
2 Verify that LATCH harness is routed in forward facing slots. If not, refer to page 17 to switch LATCH harness.

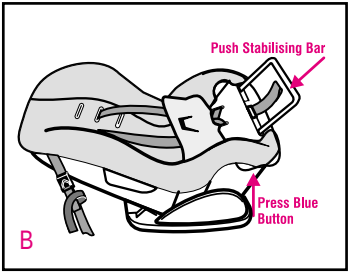
3 If stabilizing bar is extended press blue release button, located adjacent to the right side rear facing lock-off, to release and store bar (*fig. B*).

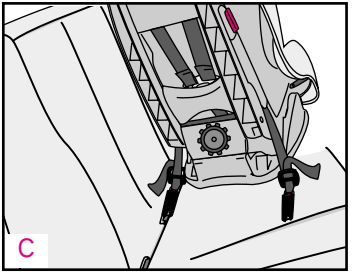
4 Place the child restraint forward facing and fully reclined on the vehicle seat.

5 Loosely attach each LATCH connector to the adjacent LATCH anchor (*fig C*).

- *A positive click confirms attachment to the LATCH anchor.*
- *If necessary, press silver adjuster release button, then pull to loosen LATCH webbing (fig D).*





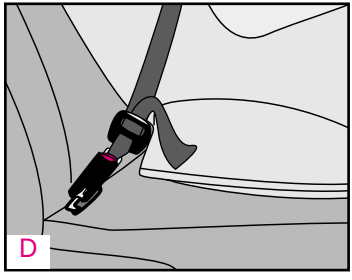


6 With one hand, push the child restraint firmly into the vehicle seat while pulling the first LATCH connector strap tight *(fig E)*.

7 Continue pressing child restraint firmly into the vehicle seat while pulling the second LATCH connector strap tight.

8 Attach Versa-Tether™ as instructed on pages 25-26. Forward facing installation is improved by the use of the Versa-Tether™, but is not required.

9 Verify that all connections are tight and the child restraint is secure.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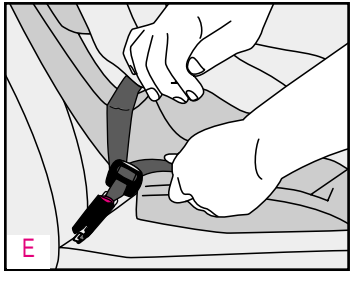
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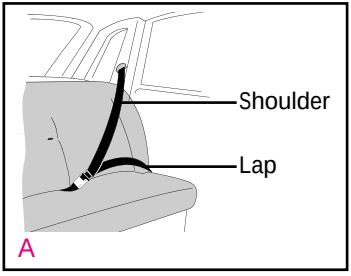
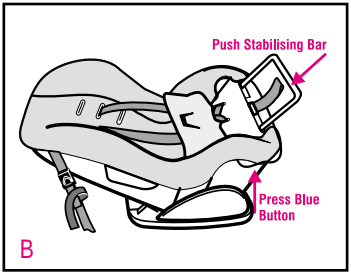
Removal

- To remove the child restraint, release both LATCH connectors from the LATCH anchors by pressing the red button.
- If connected, disconnect the Versa-Tether™ from the tether anchor.
- Always store LATCH connectors when not in use by attaching to storage rings on the side of the child restraint.





Forward Facing Lap-Shoulder Belt Installation

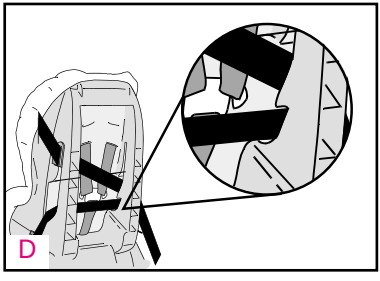
Figure A illustrates a typical lap-shoulder seat belt system.

1 Place the child restraint forward facing on the vehicle seat.

2 If stabilizing bar is extended press blue release button, located adjacent to the right side rear facing lock-off, to release and store bar (*fig. B*).

3 Pass the seat belt through both side slots, then fasten the seat belt and verify that it is not twisted (*fig. C*).

4 Before continuing, make sure that the lap portion of the seat belt passes under BOTH lap belt positioning guides (*fig. D*).



5 Press the lock-off tab to open the lock-off (*fig. E*).

NOTE: It is only necessary to use one lock-off. Always use the forward facing lock-off that is furthest from the seat belt buckle.

6 Pull the shoulder portion of the seat belt through the lock-off to remove all slack (*fig. F*).

7 Hold the shoulder belt tight, then push the lock-off tab until it clamps the seat belt in place (*fig. G*).

IMPORTANT: Lock-off is not engaged and vehicle belt is not secured until a click is heard or felt.

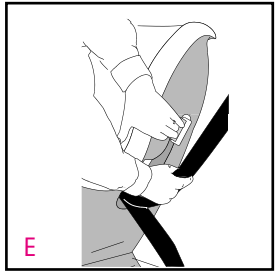
NOTE: Forward facing installation is improved by the use of the Versa-Tether™, but is not required.

8 Verify that the seat belt is tight and the child restraint is secure.

9 See *Checking Buckle Position* on Page 23.

Removal

To remove the child restraint, simply unfasten the seat belt and reverse the above directions.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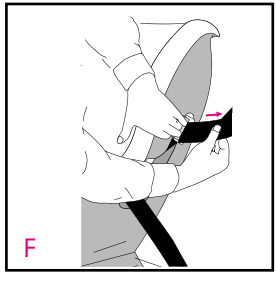
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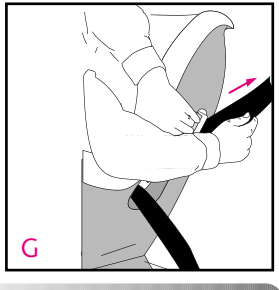
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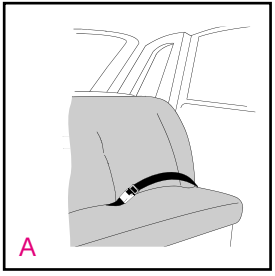
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Forward Facing Lap Belt Installation

Figure A illustrates a typical lap belt only seat belt system.

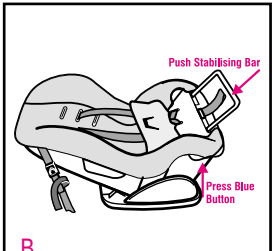
1 Place the child restraint forward facing on the vehicle seat.

2 If stabilizing bar is extended press blue release button, located adjacent to the right side rear facing lock-off, to release and store bar. (*fig. B*).

3 Pass the seat belt through both side slots, then fasten the seat belt and verify that it is not twisted (f*ig. C*).

4 Before continuing, make sure that the lap belt passes under BOTH lap belt positioning guides (*fig. D*).

NOTE: Forward facing installation is improved by the use of the Versa-Tether™, but is not required.



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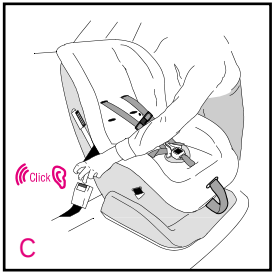

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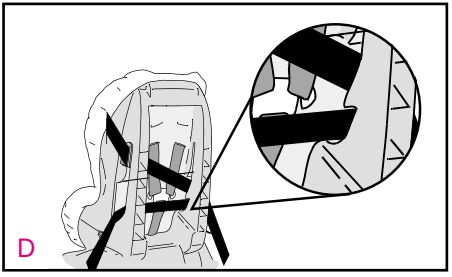
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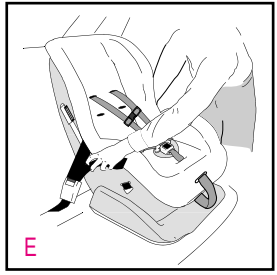
5 Press child restraint into vehicle seat, while removing slack from the lap portion of the seat belt (*fig. E*).

6 Verify that the seat belt is tight and the child restraint is secure.

7 See *Checking Buckle Position* below.

Removal

To remove the child restraint, unfasten the seat belt and reverse the above directions.



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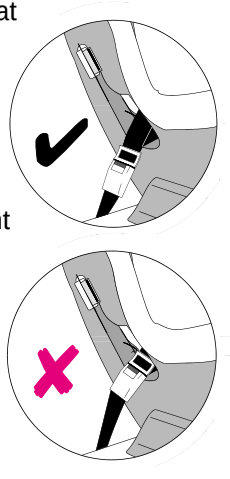
Checking Buckle Position

WARNING: The position of the vehicle seat belt buckle can affect the stability of your child restraint. In an accident an improperly positioned buckle could come loose and your child would be unprotected.

When the vehicle belt is tightened, if the buckle lies near the position marked as wrong, (✘) then try fitting your child restraint in another seating position in your vehicle.

If it is not possible to achieve the correct position (✔) for the buckle then another seating position MUST be used.

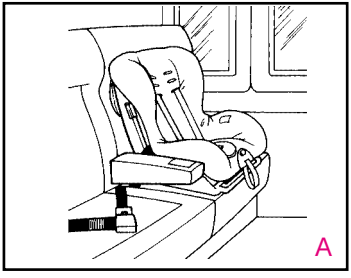
IMPORTANT: Check that your child restraint is secure before each trip.



Installation In Aircraft

This child restraint is certified for use on aircraft. Most airlines in the U.S. and Canada will allow you to use a child restraint if it is labeled as an approved child restraint for airline use and fits properly on the plane. Contact your airline about their policy prior to travelling.

- Use your child restraint only on forward facing aircraft seats!
- Place the child restraint next to a window to avoid blocking the aisle.
- If the aircraft lap belt is too short, ask the flight attendant for a *belt extender*.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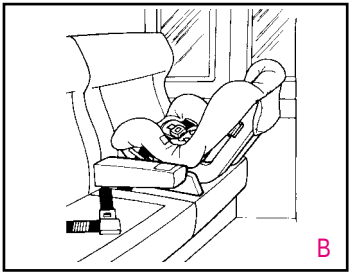
Rear Facing Installation

Install your child restraint rear facing in an aircraft according to pages 15-16.

Forward Facing Installation

Install your child restraint forward facing in an aircraft according to pages 22-23.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NEVER ATTACH A FORWARD FACING TETHER TO A LOCATION THAT IS NOT RECOMMENDED BY YOUR VEHICLE MANUFACTURER OR TO A LOCATION THAT YOU BELIEVE IS INCORRECT OR NOT STRONG ENOUGH. IF THE TETHER ANCHOR COMES LOOSE IN A CRASH, THE METAL HOOK CAN INJURE VEHICLE OCCUPANTS.

- Britax recommends that the tether be used at all times. Using the tether will improve the stability of your child restraint and reduce the risk of injury.
- If your vehicle does not currently have a tether anchor attachment refer to your vehicle owner's manual or contact your vehicle manufacturer for assistance.
- If a tether anchorage is not available, you should NOT modify your vehicle without advice from your vehicle manufacturer.

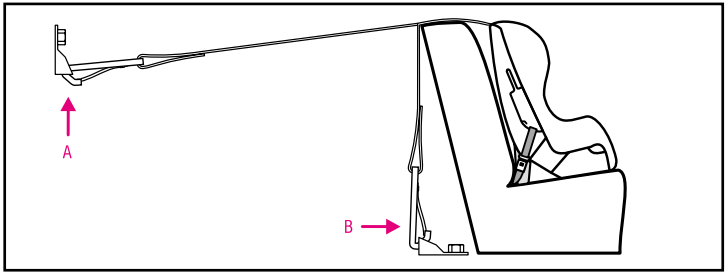
Forward Facing Versa-Tether

1 Once your child restraint is in a secure, seat belted position, facing forward, locate the tether and remove from pouch.

2 Push the adjuster button, then pull to fully extend tether.

3 Locate the tether anchor in your vehicle. Use a tether anchor in location *a* or *b* in the illustration on page 26.

IMPORTANT: If in doubt about your tether anchorage point or if your vehicle is not equipped with a tether anchorage point, check your vehicle owner's manual or contact your vehicle manufacturer for assistance.



4 Hook the tether to the tether anchor point, then pull on the tether belt to remove any slack.

5 Verify that there is tension in the tether strap and that child restraint is properly secured.

Releasing the Versa-Tether

To release the Versa-Tether, push the adjuster button down and inwards on the tether strap, and pull to loosen. Unhook the tether from tether anchor point to release child restraint. This method occasionally may be difficult. An alternative method is to release the seat belt first.

Rear Facing Versa-Tether

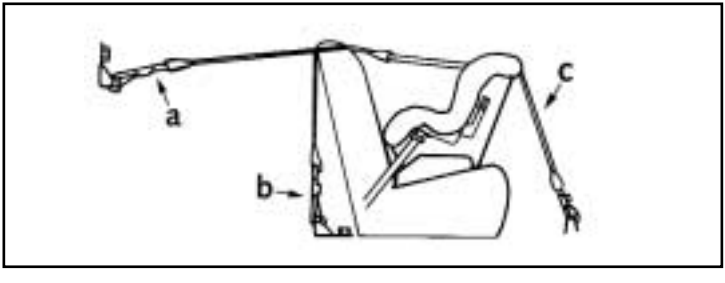
1 Locate the tether and remove from pouch.

2 Push the adjuster button, then pull to fully extend tether.

3 Locate the hook on the strap. The hook latch can be opened and closed by pressing your thumb against the latch.

4 Place the restraint in the selected vehicle seating position. Follow the section *Installation: Rear Facing* on pages 11-16.

5 Locate an acceptable location for the tether to be anchored. Use *a.*, *b.*, or *c.*, whichever provides a more stable and secure mounting. Check your vehicle owner's manual or contact your vehicle's manufacturer for proper tether attachment anchorages.



WARNING: DO NOT Hook the Versa-Tether to the bottom of a vehicle seat adjuster!

6 Attach the tether hook to the anchor, then tighten by pulling the adjustment strap until all slack is removed.

7 Verify that there is tension in the tether strap and that child restraint is properly secured.

IMPORTANT: The proper child restraint angle is the angle where your child rests comfortably back, but never more than 45 degrees from vertical.

Releasing the Versa-Tether

To release the Versa-Tether, push the adjuster button down and inwards on the tether strap, and pull to loosen. Unhook the tether from tether anchor point to release child restraint. This method occasionally may be difficult. An alternative method is to release the seat belt first.

Using the Tether Connector Strap (rear facing only)

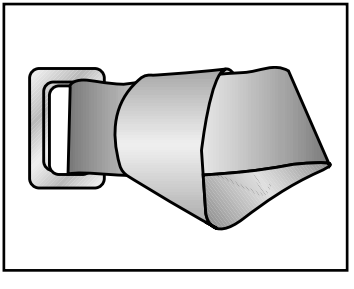
Sometimes it is not possible to find a location to properly anchor the tether or the structural part of the seat is too large for the hook. Use the tether connector strap to assist in connecting to an anchor point.

1 Locate a seat frame bar, vehicle seat leg, or a fixed vehicle seat belt anchor that is bolted to the floor which the strap can be wrapped around.

2 Loop the strap around the metal anchor**,** then take the metal d-ring and lace it through the hole on the other side of the strap.

3 Pull the metal d-ring all the way through until strap is tight around the tether anchor.

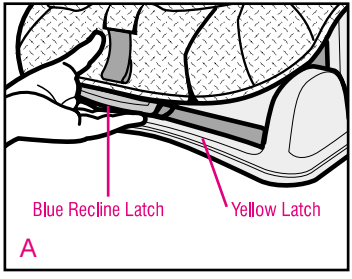
4 Attach the tether hook to the strap or d-ring.

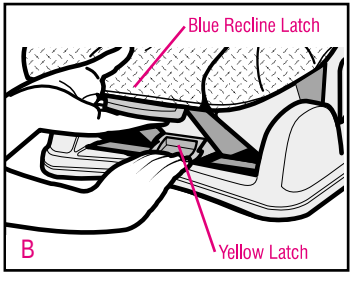


Pull blue recline latch up to adjust seat into one of four normal positions *(fig A)*.

If the level line is not horizontal with the ground in normal recline mode, it may be necessary to install the child restraint in super recline mode to obtain the proper seat angle. To adjust to super recline mode, push yellow latch down while pulling up on blue recline latch, then pull seat shell to slide it into super recline mode *(fig B)*. Once in super recline mode, use recline adjust knob to adjust the seat angle so that level line is horizontal with the ground.

To return seat to normal recline mode, hold base with one hand, while lifting the top of seat shell upward with the other hand.





Using the Buckle

Fastening the Buckle

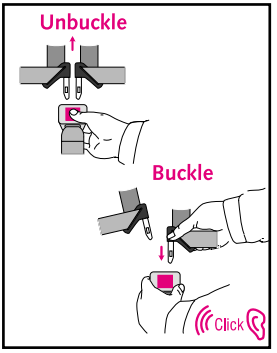
1 Hold the buckle with one hand.

2 Use your other hand to insert one tongue at a time into the buckle. Proper connection is confirmed with a positive click after inserting the second buckle tongue.

Releasing the Buckle

1 Brace the rear of the buckle with hand.

2 Use thumb to press release button until tongues are ejected from buckle.

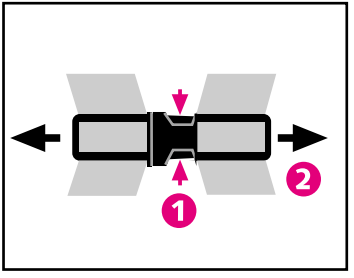


NOTE: Periodically clean the buckle to ensure proper operation. See section *Cleaning the Buckle* on page 38.

Using the Chest Clip

Open the chest clip by squeezing the middle tabs, then pulling the two pieces apart.

IMPORTANT: The correct height for the chest clip is at the middle of the chest, level to the armpit. Always make sure that the harness is tight before each use or after any adjustments.



Once the child restraint has been installed in the vehicle, follow these instructions to secure your child in the child restraint.

1 Loosen the harness by lifting the adjuster lever located in front of the seat, while pulling the shoulder straps forward (*fig. A*).

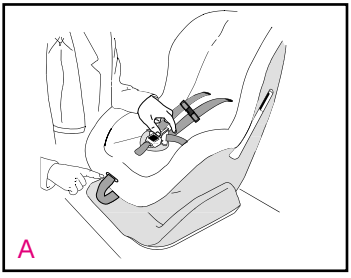
2 Unfasten the chest clip by squeezing the middle tab. (*fig. B*).

3 Unfasten the buckle by pressing the release button (*fig. C*).

4 Move the harness straps to the side of the seat. Use the hook and loop fastener located on the straps and side of the cover to aid in holding the straps.

5 Place child in the child restraint.

6 Position the harness straps around the child and fasten the child restraint buckle (*fig. C*). Proper connection is confirmed with a positive click after inserting the second buckle tongue.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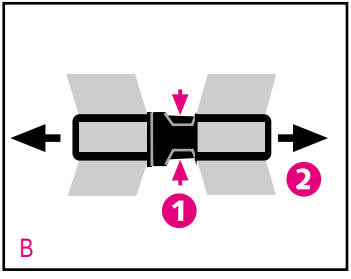

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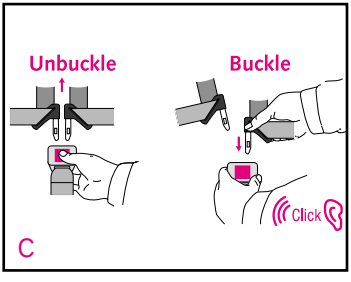

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7 Gently pull up on the harness straps to tighten the lap section of the harness, which should fit low on your child's body (*fig. D*).

8 Slowly pull the adjuster strap to tighten the harness around the child (*fig. E*).

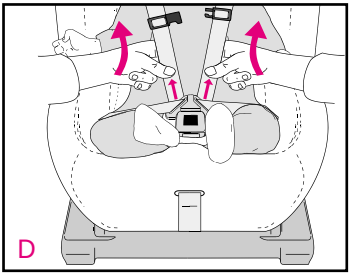
IMPORTANT: Harness should have a comfortable, but SNUG fit around the child. A snug fit allows you to place two fingers between your child's body and the harness.

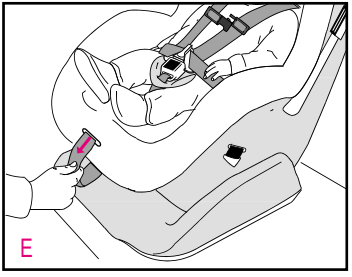
9 Fasten the chest clip by connecting the two halves together.

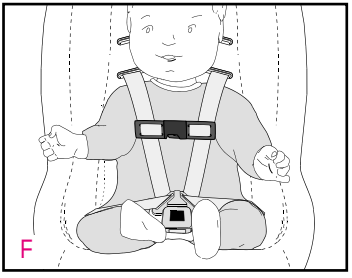
IMPORTANT: The correct height for the chest clip is at the middle of the chest, level with the child's armpit.

10 Verify that harness is not twisted and child is properly secured (*fig. F*).

11 See *Checking Harness Height* on page 33.







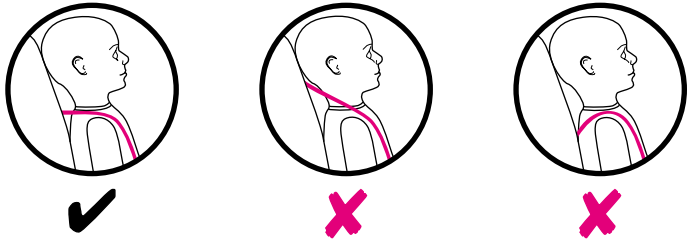
The shoulder harness MUST be threaded through the slots in the cover and shell nearest the top of your child's shoulders. If in any doubt always use the slot above the shoulders rather than below.

To Check Harness Height:

1 Place child in child restraint and secure harness (see pages 31-32).

2 Observe where the shoulder harness is positioned on your child.

3 Use diagrams below to determine if an adjustment is necessary.



4 If harness height is okay, continue using child restraint without adjustment. If harness height requires adjustment, refer to *Adjusting Harness Height* on page 34.

NOTE: Once the top slots become necessary, your child may continue to use the seat until the center of the ears become level with the top of the seat shell or weight exceeds 40 pounds (18 kg).

Harness Height Adjustment

1 Loosen the harness by lifting the adjuster lever located in the front of the seat while pulling the shoulder straps forward as far as possible (*fig. A*).

2 From the rear of the child restraint, pull the yoke over the top of the harness guard, unhook the shoulder harness from the yoke (*fig. B*).

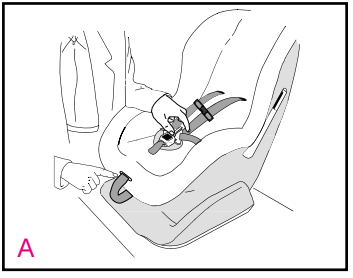
3 Pull straps through the shell and cover, to the front of the seat.

4 Thread the harness straps through the appropriate harness height slots (*fig. C*).

5 Reattach harness straps to the yoke (*fig. B*).

6 Pull harness adjuster strap to tighten the harness.

7 Verify that all straps are threaded at the same height and are not twisted.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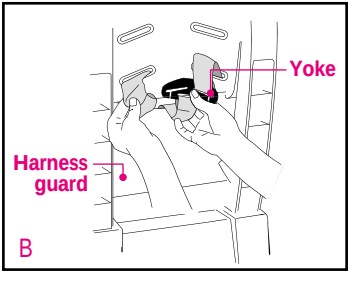

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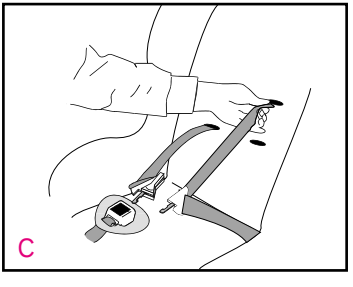
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Cover Removal

1 Loosen the harness by lifting the adjuster lever while pulling the shoulder straps forward as far as possible.

2 Unhook the shoulder straps from the yoke on the rear of child restraint.

3 Pull straps through the shell and cover, to the front of the seat.

4 Lift cover over buckle.

5 Gently remove the upper portion of the cover, by releasing the elastic loops. Be careful not to damage the energy absorbing foam.

6 Pull the harness straps and chest clip through the slots in the cover.

7 Release the elastic loops at the bottom of the cover.

8 Gently remove the entire cover from the seat.

WARNING:

• Do not take apart or attempt to take apart the harness. It is unnecessary and dangerous to do so.

• Never remove the buckle tongues from the harness. They cannot be reattached after removal.

Belly Pad Removal

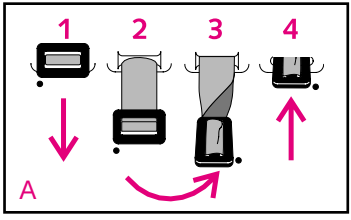
1 Remove the buckle and belly pad (see page 36).

2 Slide belly pad off the buckle straps.

Refitting the Cover

To refit the cover, reverse *Cover Removal* directions. Make sure that the shoulder straps are threaded through the chest clips and that the harness is not twisted.

Buckle Removal



1 Fully recline the child restraint.

2 Locate two metal buckle strap retainers on bottom of the seat.

3 Pull each retainer away from child restraint to loosen.

4 Turn each retainer so that the short side will go through the slot in the seat shell (*fig. A*).

5 Push the retainer through slots in the shell and cover to the front of the seat

Rethreading the Buckle

1 Locate the buckle slots.

2 Turn each buckle retainer so that the short side will go through the slot in the cover and seat shell (*fig. A*).

3 Push each buckle retainer through the slots.

4 Make sure the plastic strips are kept on the upper surface of the shell to keep the straps from falling through the slots.

5 Pull buckle away from seat until tight, then verify that the strap is not twisted and the release button is facing outward.

Cleaning the Cover

HAND WASH using cold water and mild soap.

LINE DRY to prevent cover from shrinking.

DO NOT:

- Use bleach
- Machine wash
- Machine dry

Cleaning the Shell

SPONGE CLEAN using warm water and mild soap.

TOWEL DRY

DO NOT:

- Use solvents, detergents, or abrasive cleaners
- Remove the harness adjuster strap

Cleaning the Harness

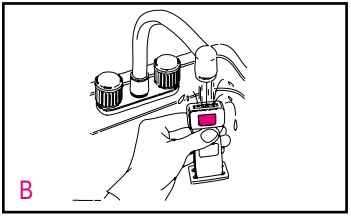
SPONGE CLEAN using warm water and mild soap.

TOWEL DRY

DO NOT:

- Use bleach
- Use solvents
- Remove the harness adjuster strap
- Machine dry
- Machine wash

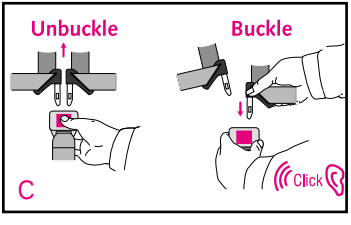
Cleaning the Buckle



THOROUGHLY RINSE using warm water (*fig. B*).

SOAK using warm water to loosen hardened liquid or food.

TEST the buckle by fastening and unfastening until you hear a positive click after inserting the second buckle tongue (*fig. C*). If click is not heard continue to clean.



TOWEL DRY

DO NOT:

- Lubricate
- Use solvents
- Use soap or household detergents

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